

WHAT ABOUT THE MONEY??

SWIM MLIS student support is provided in three ways as detailed below. SWIM will not cover all costs associated with earning the MLIS degree. Each scholarship recipient should be prepared to pay for tuition/fees and travel expenses beyond what the SWIM grant covers.

SCHOLARSHIP

SWIM MLIS scholarships will pay 80% of tuition and fees up to a total of \$12,960. Each year of the MLIS program, SWIM students will have a UNT scholarship account established. Payment of tuition and fees will be deducted directly from this account.

RESIDENCIES

SWIM MLIS scholarship recipients are required to attend 2, 4-day UNT residencies:

Labor Day weekend, 2010 – Missoula, University of Montana Martin Luther King weekend, 2011 – Billings, Montana State University

Travel stipends will be available for scholarship recipients to attend the required residencies. These stipends will pay for actual travel and accommodation expenses up to \$800 per residency. Students will submit documentation to receive reimbursement for approved residency expenses.

2011 LIBRARY CONFERENCE

Montana's SWIM MLIS scholarship recipients are required to join the Montana Library Association and attend the April 2011 annual MLA Conference in Billings. At the conference, SWIM cohort members will participate in special sessions for new librarians presented by UNT staff and other library professionals.

Conference stipends will be available for scholarship recipients to attend the conference. These stipends will pay for actual registration, travel and accommodation expenses up to \$400. Students will submit documentation to receive reimbursement for approved conference expenses.